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(Currently amended) An ablation catheter which comprises:
a guiding catheter; and

an inner catheter disposed within said guiding catheter, said inner catheter comprising an elongated central shaft having a distal end, and an electrode assembly attached to the distal end of said elongated central shaft and having a distal tip, said electrode assembly comprising a catheter tube having a plurality of apertures therethrough, a linear electrode, a porous tip electrode at said distal tip, and a device for articulating said electrode assembly.

- 2. (Currently amended) The catheter tube of claim 1 wherein said linear electrode is made from a combination of hypodermic tubing and solid wire.
- 3. (Original) The catheter of claim 1 further comprising monitoring electrodes nonconductively mounted on said linear electrode.
- 4. (Currently amended) The catheter-tube of claim 1 wherein the articulating device comprises at least one pull wire attached to a distal end of said electrode assembly.
- 5. (Currently amended) The catheter-tube of claim 1 wherein said catheter tube is made from shape memory tubing, thereby allowing said catheter tube to bend to a predetermined shape upon the application of radio frequency energy.
- 6. (Currently amended) The catheter of Claim 1, positioned within a lumen of an outer guiding catheter, said guiding catheter having a guiding second-catheter articulating steering-mechanism.
 - 7. (Original) An ablation catheter, which catheter comprises: a flexible plastic catheter tube; and

at least one linear electrode comprising a tubular array of conductive metal strands carried by said catheter tube, which catheter has a first steering mechanism; and a guiding catheter having a lumen occupied by said ablation catheter, said guiding catheter having a second steering mechanism.

- 8. (Original) The catheter of Claim 7 in which said plastic catheter tube extends through said tubular array of conductive metal strands, said catheter tube defining a plurality of apertures to permit the flow of cooling fluid from the lumen of the catheter tube and through said apertures, to flow among said conductive metal strands.
- 9. (Original) The catheter of Claim 7 in which a porous second electrode connects with one end of the plastic catheter tube.
- 10. (New) The catheter of claim 7 in which said linear electrode is continuous and axially elongated relative to its width, said electrode being carried at an outer surface of said catheter tube.
- 11. (New) The catheter of claim 1 in which said linear electrode is continuous and axially elongated relative to its width, said electrode being carried at an outer surface of the inner catheter.
- 12. (New) The catheter of claim 2 in which said linear electrode comprises a tubular array of conductive metal strands carried by said inner catheter, said inner catheter defining a plurality of apertures to permit the flow of cooling fluid from a lumen of the inner catheter and through said apertures, to flow among said conductive metal strands.
- 13. (New) The catheter of claim 1 in which said linear electrode comprises a tubular array of conductive metal strands carried by said inner catheter, said inner

catheter defining a plurality of apertures to permit the flow of cooling fluid from a lumen of the inner catheter and through said apertures, to flow among said conductive metal strands.